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SUBJ: DUTCH ENTRANT IN OPERATION SAIL, THE EENDRACHT

1. THE MAYOR OF THE HAGUE IS PLANNING A CIVIC RECEPTION
SEPTEMBER 1 IN SCHEVENINGEN, THE PORT OF THE HAGUE, TO
WELCOME BACK THE DUTCH ENTRANT IN OPERATION SAIL, THE EENDRACHT.

2. THE EMBASSY WILL PLAY A ROLE IN THE RECEPTION WHICH IS
IN EFFECT A BICENTENNIAL EVENT. WE UNDERSTAND THE EENDRACHT
LED THE TALL SHIPS INTO NEW YORK HARBOR ON JULY 3 AND WAS
SUBSEQUENTLY NAMED "SMARTEST SHIP" BY THE OPERATION SAIL
COMMITTEE.

3. THE COMMITTEE IN CHARGE OF THE RECEPTION, A HIGHLY PLACED
ONE, WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE A SUITABLE SCROLL FROM NEW YORK
CITY OR THE OPERATION SAIL COMMITTEE CREDITING THE EENDRACHT'S
PARTICIPATION IN THE EVENT, AND TO HAVE IT ON HAND FOR THE
PRESENTATION ON SEPT. 1 BY THE EMBASSY TO THE HAGUE. THE EMBASSY
ASKS THE DEPARTMENT'S GOOD OFFICES IN OBTAINING SUCH A SCROLL.

4. THE SCROLL OR CITATION SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO "THE
BURGEMEESTER AND WETHOUDERS OF THE HAGUE."

5. ARBA'S OPERATION SAIL WILL HAVE MORE INFORMATION ON
THIS BUT THE EENDRACHT TOOK HANDICAPPED CHILDREN ABOARD FOR THE
BERMUDA SAIL, SO THAT IT OUGHT NOT BE TOO DIFFICULT TO
PRODUCE A SUITABLE SCROLL CITATION.

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6. THE EMBASSY WILL VERY MUCH APPRECIATE ANY ASSISTANCE

THE DEPARTMENT CAN GIVE IN OBTAINING RECOGNITION OF THIS
DUTCH BICENTENNIAL EFFORT, WHICH IS ONLY ONE OF MANY.
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